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Whose Invisible Editor is the Conqueror on the white horse—the new Initiate in his solar body.

The Conqueror—to him I shall award to eat (the fruit) of the tree of life which is in the middle of the Garden of the God.

The award to the Conqueror, is the Eternal Memory: he shall eat the fruit of the tree of life (the fruitage of the life cycle) in the God's own abiding place, the mystical paradise or state of ineffable bliss.

The award to the Conqueror is conscious Immortality; he is to wear the crown of life, and nothing that originates in the soul-consciousness shall pass into the oblivion of the second death.

The Conqueror—to him I shall award to eat a share of the hidden manna; and I shall award to him a white voting-pebble, and on the voting pebble (will be) a new name engraved, which no one knows but he who receives it.

The Conqueror—he shall be clothed in white garments, and I shall not at all erase his name from the book of life, but I shall acknowledge his name before my Father and before his Divinities.

The Conqueror shall not at all be punished by the second death. He who has an ear to hear, let him hear.



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Annuit Coeptis,

“Prosper us in our
undertaking.”

Novus Ordo Seclorum,

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will arise.”

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Ye, who are long-ago discouraged, discredited and well-nigh forsaken, take heart, for in this year 1928, THEOSOPHY will come to the top, and assert her supremacy over all Religions of the Earth.

—Harry R. Lang, F.T.S.

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THE NEW RELIGION OF AMERICA

ITS BASIS

THE basis of "The New Religion of America" is, first—Existence. Second—its Source, and its Contemplation. Third—Separation of the Real from the Unreal. Fourth—Dwelling in the Real, and shunning the Unreal. Fifth—Contact with the Kingdom of Heaven here on Earth. Sixth—Liberation from physical plane attachment. Seventh—Immersion into pure Spirit. Eighth—Atonement with the Higher Self, than which there is no other.

There is an outer man, and there is an inner man. When the inner man comes to the fore, the outer man is held in abeyance. Seek to blend thy Mind with thy Soul and live on a higher plane than mere bodily vibration, which is not much higher than the animal. For, when the inner man vibrates, the immortal nous

functions on the plane of Spirit. Then it is that man puts on the incorruptible and sloughs off the mortal. Then does he function on a plane of permanent realities. He makes events come to pass, for he is the event and the event is himself. Dwell in the Eternal above the body, the Immortal structure above time and space, and do not descend into the basement of thy being, the body. Give voice to the Eternal Man within you, and do not be ashamed to record his injunctions.

You may be regarded as short, abrupt, impious and that dread thing, unconventional. But so is the Spirit unconventional. It knows neither people, place, time nor things, earth, sound and sight are not of its domain. It lives above the eyebrows in eternal contemplation.

It is It, knows nothing but It, and sees, hears, speaks naught but of Itself. It asks its own questions and answers them. It creates its own wants and supplies them. It is the symposium of Life and of Death. The Cause of Creation and Its Destruction. The vigor of youth and the weakness of old age. The creator of all living things and when properly understood, It so transcends Itself that annihilation of present-day existence is the glory behind the folds of the guarded shrine.

Thus the New Religion of America is the end of the old Religions, which afford no more than husks which the People have been blindly feeding upon, starving their own souls. The Race is only elevated as any one Man is elevated. Lincoln represents the last landmark left the mundane plane to mark the high-water point of man's spiritual evolution. But there is yet another man to appear who will transcend Lincoln's position, where thy Father's House is entered into

here in the body, and a more direct route to Liberation attained than just dying and having to be reborn again in order to taste of the Kingdom of Heaven.

—Harry Richeimer.

THE ALL SEEING EYE

THE All Seeing Eye, the Spark of Divinity overshadowing you, and your personal self, is what makes you conscious of your own immortality. An incident today can be measured with an incident tomorrow, and weeks and months and years are as a second in time to this immortal spirit; this beam of Eternal within, shining through you. You write 1927, 1928, 1929, then 1930, but to the immortal consciousness, a day is as unto a year and dwells above time and space in eternity, and knows no separation from itself.

Now the problem of the ages is how to contact this immortal spark within yourself and link yourself to the eternal Self, *to become one with this Higher Self and dwell constantly therein*. To sit above yourself, above this tomb of the body, handling the lower man like you would an instrument, but to be free from the attack of the pairs of opposites, pleasure and pain, gain and loss, victory and defeat. How to ward off Death itself, for Death is, after all, the fruit of the Mind, and only when the Mind is transcended do we defeat the power of Mind to enfold us in its shroud and waylay us into the tomb.

HOW? HOW? HOW?

Oh God, Almighty, how can we defeat this last enemy, Death? I know if I were to accomplish this task and show you how, Christian Scientists, Presbyterians, Roman Catholics, Second-day Adventists,

Spiritualists and even jaded Theosophists would kiss my hand and forget my antagonism to their weaknesses.

Now I am not Jesus Christ, and don't care to be Jesus Christ. I am only Harry R. Lang, seeking to help Humanity out of the rut and dilemma they find themselves today, victims of the Grave; each and every separate individual, King and Potentate, Millionaire and Pauper, Pope and Bum, all destined to fill a casket and rot among the worms.

The crux of the whole trouble is Mind. Mind, that the Christian Scientist has elevated, is the elusive villain that has to be scotched and killed! Then, pray tell, what have you left? Mind, the picture-machine that casts objects before and behind and makes you a victim of its every whim and caprice. If you kill Mind, you go insane, say you? Mind, the destroyer of Immortality, the father of the Body, the scotcher of the Soul. Mind, Mind, Mind, the ancient destroyer of all that is Sacred and Dear.

Then it is all a simple problem of elevating your consciousness above the Mind plane, and attaining a plane here in the body, fully conscious of itself; where the body is no longer cognizant to the outer senses, the five gates that shut you out of the inner Temple of the Soul. Then you operate solely as consciousness, with no body in sight. To others? Yes. To yourself? No. For your conscious sixth sense, blending the other five, only knows itself and nothing outside itself.

Now, the all-seeing eye depicted on the Reverse of the Seal of the United States, was placed there by one who himself had attained the mark of Immortality, and when this fair Republic should come into its Immortal heritage, this Reverse Side was to be pre-

sented to the People for their Soul Freedom and enlightenment. Now, who is better entitled to present this Reverse Side of the Seal to the People than one who has come into its inner meaning and soul-unfoldment, to explain its import and expound its principles.

I aver, Harry R. Lang, is the man destined to usher in the Immortal Age to this World, because his all-seeing eye is now opened far enough to proclaim the Millennial Period here at hand. When? Now, this 1928. And as I stated before, once the Eye is opened, it never closes, not even to Death, for the Last Enemy is overcome, and the People of the Fair Republic of the Heavens Crowned in Immortal Glory.

—*Novos Ordo Seclorum*—

—Harry R. Lang.

THE NEW ORDER OF AGES

CONSTITUTES the Central Heart of—THE INDEPENDENT THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA—and it is composed of women and men who have reached, through effort and aspiration, a stage of self-evolution, where spiritual growth and unfoldment take precedence over all other interests in life.

None are able to enter the Pathway of The New Order of Ages who have not attained to this stage of self-evolution and soul-consciousness. Having reached this point, they are brought under practical instruction by their own Higher Self, the readjuster of all their knowledge and experience, for soul-development, inner hearing and inner sight (not clairvoyant), followed by demonstrating the continuity of life, and *conscious immortality* beyond the change called *death*, through

the conscious transition, while in the body, on to the higher planes or sheaths constituting the Triad or Trinity, thus *consciously* crossing the divide between the lower or personal self and the Higher, or divine Self; and this can be attained only through the *union* of the lower and Higher Self which is followed by conscious Liberation.

There can be but one goal towards which every individual of the human race is tending; and if that goal is Liberation, then all roads should lead to it, and all religions point the way to the same goal. But not one of the so-called orthodox religions, including the Catholic, have a distinct goal; to be sure, we hear a great deal said about Salvation; but they do not tell us what Salvation is? Salvation from what? It can have but one meaning, and that is, *Salvation from Birth and Death*, or mundane existence; therefore, Salvation has the same meaning as Liberation.

The true yoga doctrine has always one goal of Liberation; while dealing in worldly affairs, it always looks forward to the growth of spirituality, and guards against degeneracy. While a religion which has no fixed goal of Liberation leaves its adherents to wander in several directions expecting some day to fetch up at the right spot without having had any explicit directions.

Just imagine, for instance, if every religion had the one goal, Liberation, for their main object, everyone would be anxious to find the right road and we would see them all traveling in the same direction, and not branching off into paths that lead nowhere, and losing precious time.

Religion is a simple matter after all when one knows that the goal is Liberation—he should make

a determined effort toward Liberation—with the increase of spirituality at each step. Such a spiritual progress would certainly withhold persons from going to vices and degeneracy, knowing that there is no Salvation but—Liberation—they would seek it in earnest; and knowing that Liberation can be attained only through the *union* of the self with their own Higher Self, they would seek this *union* through devotion, thus accomplishing the sum total of religion, by knowing the goal and the way to reach it.

As Jesus said, "There are some standing here who shall not see death." Why? Because they were already liberated from the bonds that hold the soul to rebirth in another body. Not that the body, the outer sheath, the house in which the soul dwells, would not see death; it was not the body to which Jesus referred, but the *dweller* in the body.

When we understand that we are not the body, but the soul that dwells in the body; and that the mind and body are only our instruments, we shall not think so much about death, as it can effect only the outer sheath; but we will turn our attention to the means of Liberation from continued birth and death.

Then Religion would have an entirely different meaning. There would be no such thing as *vicarious atonement*; i. e.: that Jesus died to save us all, but each individual must work out his own salvation, or Liberation, and by an entirely different method than the orthodox theory. The Orthodox Religion does very well for infant souls or undeveloped egos, but the time has come when we have adult souls to deal with; and this is the whole problem of degeneracy in the orthodox churches which is causing such anxiety to the clergy at the present time; they do not see

that the system is outgrown and another must take its place.

—*Celestia Root Lang.*

The well-defined spiritual life is not only the highest life, but it is also the most easily lived. The whole cross is more easily carried than the half. It is the man who tries to make the best of both worlds who makes nothing of either. And he who seeks to serve two masters misses the benediction of both. But he who has taken his stand, who has drawn a boundary line, sharp and deep about his religious life, who has marked off all beyond as forbidden ground to him, finds the yoke easy and the burden light. For this forbidden environment comes to be as if it were not. His faculties falling out of correspondence, slowly lose their sensibilities. And the balm of Death numbing his lower nature releases him for the scarce disturbed communion of a higher life. So even here to die is gain.

—*Henry Drummond.*

THE TOTEM POLE

A SONG OF THE HIGHER SELF

I am a Totem Pole,
Of seven faces,
Of seven sheathes,
And seven races.
Of many forms,
In many places,
Of many men
In one.

At times, . .
I speak
Through mouth of one,
The nearest
To my feet.
On lowest sheathe,
I function.
My words are simple,
And a little child,
Can compass all I say.

And then at times,
I rise,
And view you,
Through these other eyes,
The face that's closer to my head.
And you're surprised
At things I utter,
For there's a difference
Twix't the things
I said just yesterday,
A little more the man in them
A little higher view of things,
And still you are perplexed.

You think you know me,
And I smile,
You know me
Just a little while;
That is,
You know my face,
For, as I function
Up and down,

At times a sage,
And then a clown,
I give you
Quite a race.

And then again,
I mount this man,
And I view you
In his upper den;
That is,
The light-house view.

Now, all is clear,
And I am wise,
To all this many-portaled guise,
Now I can see,
Not only you,
But past and future
Through and through.

For now I'm man,
In my proper place,
When my head's the head,
And my face, the face,
Of my Totem Man,
And I wish
You knew me always thus,
For could you know me
As I am,
Not as men,
But as the Man,
You'd envy me my place.

I'm a Totem Pole,
Of seven faces,
Of seven sheathes,
And seven races,
Of many forms,
In many places
Of many men,
In one.

For now my faces,
Are but places,
Where I can function
At my will.
And thus I speak
Down the ages,
My history covers
Many pages.

And would you know me
You too must rise
At proper height
Within' my eyes
And view me
In my present role
As master
Of the Totem Pole.

—Harry E. Richeimer.

The belated March issue was not entirely the fault of the Editor as the intolerant methods of suppression by Roman Catholics has obstructed our path and prevented our getting the magazine out on time The April issue will be mailed shortly.

TO "CELESTIA"

SHE wore her clothes to cover her body,—
Old and shoddy and any way,—
But oh, her speech was as cool spring water,
The Gods had taught her
The words to say!

I found her first when my heart was broken,
But things were spoken that gave me peace;
The Gods had willed her a magic dower,
The words of power
That brought release.

Her home was far, in an ancient quarter,
But many sought her from day to day,
Because her words were as wells of water,
The Gods had taught her
What things to say!

I saw men seek her from ev'ry nation,
And inspiration she gave to each;
The Gods had blessed her in deepest measure,—
A silver treasure
Of potent speech!

She wore her clothes to cover her body,—
Old and shoddy and any way,—
But oh, her words were as cool spring water,
The Gods had taught her
What things to say!

She cared no whit for riches or raiment,—
A Heaven-claimant has higher reach!—
Her thought was ever for helping others,—
Her longing brothers,
With Wisdom-speech!

A. E. D.

CALVIN COOLIDGE AND POPE PIUS

(TWO PEAS IN A POD)

THE COMING Presidential Election will astound the civilized world. For the world has had enough of Catholicism under different forms, always betraying the trust of the People imposed in candidates.

Calvin Coolidge, as stated in my pamphlet, "Shall the Pope of Rome Rule America," is the choice of Pope Pius. Al Smith has not the ghost of a show to be elected by the American electorate, and no one knows it better than Al. But the Hierarchy of the Roman Catholics are deeper thinkers than just catering to Al's immediate candidacy. Though they seemingly want Al to be President on the surface, their hidden game is to throw the support that can be worked up in the newspapers and political councils throughout the country, up to Convention time, and use this force to threaten prospective candidates, to pledge themselves to the Roman Catholic Political Machine in America, and its Policies of the Vatican, and if any candidate refuses to pledge his support to Al and his Catholic Band, they will use their favorite weapon of "Boycott," which proves so effective against Americans whom they know loves a dollar better than principle.

Now Calvin Coolidge, elected through the influence of Pope Pius, will be the mouthpiece of the Vatican if the People are foolish enough to re-elect him.

I say again the Catholics have not even a remote vision of seeing Al sit in the Presidential Chair, but their objective is COOLIDGE, with the Roman Catholic bit in his mouth, to be guided in any direction

which the Pope and his Curia at Rome wish to direct him.

The Roman Catholic Church is now drunk with POWER, and America must be conquered now for ROME, or Rome well knows America will prove its Conqueror!

The Vatican and the interior heads figure that to start an outright war to overthrow the Government here in America would be suicidal in their attempt to "Make America Catholic," and place one of her favorite sons at the helm. What they propose to do is to get a sucker like Calvin to pledge himself to their cause, and after he is elected start a war to "Make America Catholic," so that if the public then protests, the army and navy when at the beck and call of Catholic Calvin can be mustered for their cause and defeat the Republic!

Now I want Americans to know that Coolidge is as well as re-elected from the Catholic standpoint. Everything is set to upset everything else that is not sympathetic with Pope Pius' program of "Making America Catholic." So now I declare in large capitals, the following pronouncement:

**"THE ISSUE OF THE 1928 PRESIDENTIAL
CAMPAIGN IS A RELIGIOUS ISSUE"**

Not Prohibition, not agricultural, not the development of our resources, not a race issue, not democratic or republican principles involved, but "Can a Catholic, a Catholic sympathizer, or even a neutral be President?

That is the issue, Brothers, and I want you to shout it from the housetops. Newspapers, magazines, movies, pulpits, public forum, stump speakers, radio waves, all will join hands and try to hide the hideous monster, CATHOLICISM, which asks just one chance at this

Child of Liberty, the American Republic.

If you see any other issue than the Religious issue, your sight is colored; and you lose the opportunity of defending your Country against the aggressor, who today stands ready to destroy it. I mean the detestable ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

VOTE FOR A RABBIT ANTI-CATHOLIC AND
SAVE AMERICA

FATE GAVE AL SMITH TO DEMOCRATIC
PARTY AND NATION

RISE FROM COMMON PEOPLE HAILED AS NATIONAL BOON

New York, Jan. 25.—If Gov. Al Smith is elected president of the United States, "he will undertake to give us a government for all by one of the people."

This is the statement of Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey, one of President Woodrow Wilson's advisers, and former chairman of the finance committee of the democratic party. Mr. Morgenthau's avowal of the Smith candidacy is printed in the current number of the Review of Reviews under the title "Why I Support Alfred E. Smith."

"I have been asked by the editor of the Review of Reviews to state why I, who am not a Catholic nor a wet, nor a member of Tammany Hall, but one who campaigned for Samuel J. Tilden in 1876, was an ardent supporter of Grover Cleveland, and a devoted adherent of Woodrow Wilson—why I favor the nomination and election of Alfred E. Smith," writes Mr. Morgenthau.

"The simple truth is that if Gov. Smith, instead of having been born in Oliver street, of Catholic parents, had first seen the light of day in some Protestant parsonage, as Presidents Cleveland and Wilson did,

nobody would doubt for an instant that he would be the next president. Gov. Smith belongs to one of the minority religious denominations, and to that one which is politically most unpopular in many parts of the United States.

"Except for that disability—speaking politically—Gov. Smith is so towering a figure in public life that his nomination and election to the presidency would be accepted as a foregone conclusion.

"What does that disability really amount to? In my opinion it amounts to less than nothing, for I have observed that, as governor of New York, Mr. Smith has, if anything, leaned backward in his determination that his religious faith should not color his official actions.

CITES OFFICIAL FAIRNESS

"I challenge anybody to find any evidence in Gov. Smith's career that his membership in the Catholic church has influenced his appointments, or his recommendations of legislation, or his vetoes, or his exercise of the pardoning power, or any other of his acts as executive head of the commonwealth of New York. On the contrary, there are dozens of instances where he has honored Protestants and Jews, often where they were not even of his own political faith. Gov. Smith has only two tests of a man: Is he able? Is he honest? He has only two tests for a law: Is it right? Is it sound? Religious affiliations have had nothing to do with his official actions.

"Gov. Smith is an honest and sincere man. He has been in public office most of his adult life, and in conspicuous office in the foremost state of the Union for the last twelve years. His life has been scrutinized with searching vigilance by political enemies all

these years, yet no man has ever ventured publicly to charge him with being dishonest or untruthful.

"Therefore, when I read Gov. Smith's declaration of what his religion means to him and his assertion that 'I recognize no power in the institutions of my church to interfere with the operations of the constitution of the United States or the enforcement of the law of the land,' and when he adds, 'I believe that no tribunal of any church has any power to make any decree of any force in the law of the land,' he leaves me no alternative but to accept what he says as being exactly what he believes.

"I know it is what he has lived by, and I can see no reason why he should change if president of the United States. On the contrary, every prompting of pride and every desire of his heart should strengthen him to continue the consistent course of a lifetime.

SHOWS FEAR IS BASELESS

"Furthermore, those who fear a Catholic in the White House should be reminded that we quadrennially elect a president, not an emperor. This government is not an autocracy. The Protestants have a safe majority of votes in the country, in the Supreme Court, in the Senate, which numbers only five Catholics among its ninety-six members, and in the House of Representatives, which numbers only thirty-nine Catholics among its 435 members. Protestantism is safely intrenched.

"Is it not strange that religious tolerance has become an accepted fact in every field in America except politics and social life? This is the one land that owes its very existence to the struggle for religious liberty and human equality—the land that first incorporated into its supreme law the assertion that no man

should suffer any disability by reason of his race or religious faith.

"In every other field of American life, this aspiration of the founding fathers has been accepted in spirit and in truth. American business is a true democracy, where nobody dreams of asking a man's religion when business is to be transacted.

TACTICS ONLY IN POLITICS

"Science knows no boundary of race or religion. Who would discard Einstein's theory of relativity, or Koch's discoveries in tuberculosis, because these pioneers of thought were Jews? In art, music or literature, who interrupts his pleasure to inquire into the religion of the artist?

"Only in politics are prejudices and outworn controversies dragged forth to cloud the issue, when a master of statecraft emerges above the shoulders of mediocrity and conservatism, and is offered to the people to perform the greatest public service that lies in the power of any man.

"To me it seems shameful that such tactics should be used against a man of Gov. Smith's integrity—against a man of Gov. Smith's proven freedom from politico-religious influence in his public life.

"More than this, I believe that these are futile tactics. I have too much faith in the fair-mindedness of the great body of citizens to believe that they will allow bigotry and the schemes of designing demagogues to close their approach to this truest representative of the common man who has risen to public eminence in my lifetime. Wisdom is of the people, and I have faith that they will recognize this one of their own breed who has risen to lead them.

"If Protestants were all intolerant, Mr. Smith would

not four times have been elected governor of New York, for that state is preponderantly Protestant in spite of the large Catholic population in the cities. If Protestants were united in the determination to suppress all minorities, such an appeal as mine would be useless.

CONSTITUTION ABOVE BIGOTRY

"But, fortunately, they are not. A majority of the Protestants put adherence to the ideals of the constitution above the prejudice of bigotry; and they know that Gov. Smith holds his patriotism dearer than any imaginary religious influence in his politics.

"Now and then in the history of a nation there arises a heroic figure, embodying in his person and his spirit the deep aspirations of the people—thinking their thoughts, speaking their speech, born of their obscure blood and sharing the trials of their obscure lives, rising by native genius to a position of command, yet without losing touch with the people from whom he sprang.

LIKENED TO LINCOLN

"Gov. Smith is such a man. I assert this confidently from an intimate personal acquaintance with him and from a familiarity with his career. He has the social unconventionalities that so tortured the aristocrats who sneered at Jackson and Lincoln.

"But, like them, no man of his time so graces the rostrum when the people crowd to hear political wisdom from a true patriot and statesman.

"Like them, when Gov. Smith sets his feet upon the bridge and takes command of the Ship of State all the trivial aspects of his personality disappear before his genius and capacity to rule."

Mr. Morgenthau ends his article with this para

"Gov. Smith is the hope of liberalism in America today. If elected, he will undertake to give us a government for all by one of the people. Furthermore, his mere nomination will render a great service for our country, for it will force the republicans to nominate their most liberal candidate or face certain defeat. If the democrats do not nominate him, the reactionary group in the republican party will name a mediocrity and elect him."

RABBI FAVORS SMITH

Cincinnati, Jan. 25.—The clearest proof that all the fine words about religious liberty in the United States are not mere words would be the nomination of Gov. Smith of New York for president, Rabbi David Philipson of the Rockdale temple asserted in his sermon here.

The sermon, based on the general theme, "Truth Speaking and Time Serving," was a vigorous plea for religious tolerance, without regard to politics.

"I am distressed at the scene in the United States Senate when Senator Heflin made his fiery speech against the Catholics and Gov. Smith," the rabbi said. "I regret very much that such sentiments should be expressed on the Senate floor. To my mind these sentiments are against the entire doctrine of religious liberty for which the United States stands.

"No man, be he Catholic, Protestant or Jew, should be discriminated against from a political standpoint. It is my hope that Gov. Smith may be nominated, if for no other reason than to demonstrate that in this country a man's religious opinion does not make him ineligible to nomination to the highest office in the land."

A REPLY TO MR. MORGENTHAU

Mr. Morgenthau, a Jew, a Democrat, and a Demagogue, asks Americans to vote for Al Smith for President, simply because he has not trespassed the bonds of the Constitution of these United States and has been elected by Protestants as well as by Catholics to the Governorship of the State of New York, repeated times. He avers that Religion should not be a determining factor when it comes to naming a President. He again avers that the danger of having a Catholic President is no greater than having a Catholic steel master, a railroad chief, or a mediocre in every-day business routine. He further avers that Al is a voice of the People, whom the People want and that Al is free from religious influence while in public office, has been, and always will be.

He further testifies that Governor Smith is the hope of Liberalism in America today. We will only take exception at the last utterance of Mr. Morgenthau's, and let the rest pass, untruthful as it is, and assert that we agree with Mr. Morgenthau on this last qualification of Al Smith's, namely, Liberalism, providing Liberty means License. If Mr. Morgenthau will substitute License for Liberty, then we will agree with him that Al Smith is the greatest Libertine this Nation has ever recognized in the respectable class of a Representative of the People. For his reputation for nullification of the Laws of the Land; his disregard for American conventionalities, and his brazen effrontery in introducing a Catholic Priest into the argument of Qualifications for the Presidency, makes him the Boldest Traitor that ever betrayed a People of a Free Government, and who would, if given a free hand to reign in National Affairs, place Pope Pius on his right

hand, the Jew, Morgenthau on his left, and complete the Trinity in the Catholic scheme, that proposes to Bleed America to the last drop.

—*Harry R. Lang.*

A DRINKING PRESIDENT

What a beautiful title "A Drinking President," a low-down, sodden, unmoral leader, a gutter-snipe and low-life bum to occupy the Presidential Chair, a bum of Fulton Fish Market, who has risen from the sidewalks of New York to a place in the good graces of Tammany Hall and Pope Pius, the Pot of Hell and the Demon to stir it, with Al as Chief of the Imps to do the Pope's bidding.

What a fine character to ask Americans to seat him as their head and chief of the Nation, a nullifier, an associate of gunmen and thugs, a booze artist, and a cheap, maudlin vaudeville performer.

A New Yorker describes Al as follows: "I have heard Al Smith make many speeches and the term 'brainy' never fits a man of his calibre. His speeches consist of slangy jokes, he has a bowery accent and a booze drawl, which is sickening to decent, intelligent Americans.

"Do wake up. Don't vote for a man for President that you would be ashamed of and would have to look down on. We need a man of law and order, also dignified; one we can look up to and honor.

"Recently over the radio, a man who knows, was talking about important men of New York. All he could say about Al Smith was—'He smokes, swears, drinks and says "horse-pital" for hospital.' Where are the Americans with the welfare of their Country

at heart? I plead with you all, wake up!"

"This gentleman from New York State who asks us to ruin America and destroy our Public Schools, never went to public school in his life. It is his proud boast that he belongs to the greatest College Fraternity in the Country, and that he can write after his name the letters, F.F.M., which means Fulton Fish Market."

"Alfred Smith points to the fact that he has taken the oath of office many times 'to defend and maintain the Constitution of the United States.' Has he kept that oath? We will quote from an editorial in the 'Commercial Appeal,' one of the strongest daily democratic newspaper in the South, published at Memphis, Tennessee. Here is the editorial:

"It would be dangerous, if not destruction for the Democrats to nominate a man like Al Smith, who has thrice sworn in taking the Oath of Office of Governor of New York, to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States and has thrice denied and betrayed it by lending his official and personal aid and encouragement that it might be nullified. He has declared against Prohibition, advocated the repeal of the enforcement statute, supported the proposal to let Whisky Controlled Legislatures and Governors declare instead of the Congress of the United States what is intoxicating beverage forbidden by the Constitution of the United States. He has encouraged every dirty criminal, whether among his low supporters, or opponents of his close prominent personal party friends, or higher-up political enemies to believe that the Constitution and certain laws of the United States, of which he would be President, may be violated with impunity."

WHAT ELSE CAN YOU EXPECT?

From the spawn of Holy Mother Church? Individuals who cannot and who dare not think for themselves, are simply carrying out the orders, thoughts and wishes of their priestly masters who are the slave-drivers of ignorant humanity; and who love Hell for the Soup it makes to benefit Holy Mother Church and enrich the Pope.

Do you know the Pope drinks, gets drunk, the same as Al?

Then what can you expect from the Son, when the Father at Rome sets such a terrible example?

"THEY CAN'T THINK FOR THEMSELVES"

There will be thousands of arguments advanced by non-Catholic papers throughout the Country before Election Day next November telling the world "*Why Al Smith Cannot Be President of These United States.*" There has been thousands of arguments advanced already, but we hold the title of this article alone advanced by the Divine Life is sufficient to beat Al and put a Catholic out of the running for all time as President. When we use gold for a certain purpose in the manufacture of a certain article, it is there for two reasons, its usefulness and its ornamentality. When we use iron in the manufacture of a certain article, it is there for two reasons, its adaptability to the uses employed and its service rendered. When we use tin in the manufacture of a certain article, it is there for just two reasons; it is right, and it is useful.

Now there are only two requisites, in the estimation of the Editor of Divine Life, for eligibility for the Presidency. First—Can he think for himself? Second—If he cannot, he cannot be President.

Do you know what it means, not only to America alone, but to the Whole World, to elect Al Smith President? A man who cannot think for himself? It means the destruction of the Liberty of All the Peoples on this Planet! *For as America goes, so goes the World.* If American goes Catholic, through the election of Al Smith, then the Whole World goes Catholic. If America defeats the plans and schemes of Pope Pius and his Priestly Band and ejects Al Smith as an undesirable and elects a rabid anti-Catholic and 100 per cent American as its next President to succeed the un-American Calvin Coolidge, then the Whole World will go Anti-Catholic and throw off the Reign of Autocracy for Ages to come.

NOW IS THE CRUCIAL PERIOD

For the Blacks are determined to Rule the World now, or ruin it; and we need a man in the Presidential Chair who will not simply frown on Catholicism, and by mere jestures suppress their influx into governmental affairs, but who will start a National Crusade by eliminating the Roman Catholics from America for all time; even if it leads to a Civil War that will totally eclipse the Civil War of 1861-1865.

Drink, Crime, Debauchery, Buying of Public Offices, and discrediting Governmental Power to be usurped by State's Rights; disregard for Law and Order; Undermining our Public Schools; Robbing us of Tax Money; destroying our Navy; Playing into the hands of Europe and Wall Street; breaking down our National Barriers, to be supplanted by International Banking and Bargaining; all these foreign elements which have entered into our fair Republic can be traced directly to the door of the Romish Catholic Church; the incredible parasite forever at the core, that is eating

its way into the heart of this Fair Republic and drinking its life blood.

IF THE ROMAN CHURCH IS NOT DESTROYED IN AMERICA THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE IS THAT AMERICA WILL BE DESTROYED BY THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Now that Al Smith represents this insidious foe of our Republic, which is doing its utmost to bring us under its power, should we aid the Hierarchy by letting the enemy into our domicile and assist the Pope's emissaries in destroying us, by electing him?

I hear you say that Al Smith does not countenance the extreme views of autocracy and control as advocated by the Church to which he belongs, for Al Smith is an avowed member of the Church of Rome and what Al Smith thinks, and what the Papacy thinks, are two entirely different matters.

To which I reply, a child of a criminal may not think the same as the Father but, nevertheless, the blood of the criminal flows through the child's veins, and ten to one will crop out at a moment when that child is given a chance. This child, of Criminals, Al Smith, the Pope's Pet, now asks to be given a chance. If he fails, who is to suffer? Al Smith and the Roman Church which he represents? No, it is you and I who will suffer. For if he betrays this Country while in public office as President of these United States, it is not a matter of infringement of Law, which can be righted by penalty and punishment, it is too late then to right the wrong, and undo what he has already done. For the Pope only asks for one chance at the throat of this fair Republic.

ONLY ONE CHANCE

Give me Al Smith to head that Nation for just *four years*, and like my brag about four years to control and kill the Will of a child given me to educate in my schools and nunneries, I will kill the Will and control the Thought of the American People in four years likewise, for with a Catholic at the Head of the Republic, and the Army and Navy fighting our battles throughout the World, I would want nothing better than just *one chance*, and good-bye Democracy, and the Freedom of its Children throughout the World!

WHY SHOULD WE ELECT AL SMITH TO THE
PRESIDENCY, WHEN HE CAN'T THINK
FOR HIMSELF?

DEEP AND DIRTY CATHOLICISM

DID you ever see a Catholic that could stand on his own feet and think his own thoughts for himself, without influence being exerted over him by an outside agency? Did you ever notice that when a Catholic is engaged in work, no matter what he is doing, or where he happens to be, that the influence of Mass has an all-exerting influence over him and that like a Radio receiver he transmits only that which his Father at the other end is sending him? He has no thought, will, or self-control over himself; for how can he, when he is himself a product in embryo of Roman Catholic teaching and Roman Catholic proclivities?

I tell you when the World once begins to realize how these millions of Romans are mere mouth-pieces for the Pope and his emissaries, an altogether different attitude will be taken by tolerant Americans, and they will regard them as dangerous weapons which

encroach upon principle; and undermine the Nation, as the present state of affairs now stand.

Do you know that a Roman Catholic is nothing more or less than an elemental? And what is an elemental? Go to your dictionary and read, "Pertaining to elements" and not pertaining to man. Then the Roman Catholic is part of the scheme of the elements, not as yet evolved into the scheme of a man. He is an underling and must have some organization or band of vicious men backing, directing and guiding his will, thought and action on the physical plane. Then a man of this character being an elemental, is not at all real, but an emanation of form projected from the plane of elements and compounds and so constituted that he may wreck havoc among others who are developed but not sufficiently to be aware of his deep and dirty influence which he casts about him. For every elemental has a host of *unseen entities* swarming about his physical body. When the individual who has become MAN is through with this elemental kingdom, and has no such hoard of larvae swimming about in his aura, he is a complete Soul, able to think for himself and stand alone.

Now what I am driving at is this. A Catholic is not an individual, for he has none of the characteristics which make up a complete man. It is not his Religion that makes the difference in his cast, but his state of self-evolution and the damnable system of ego-control which makes a Roman Catholic, controlled from the womb, where the Priest gets in his work before birth, that makes the difference. And therefore, I maintain, a Catholic cannot think for himself, he thinks as the Masses in their occult demeanor lead him to think, for it's not thinking at all, but following

the magnetic line of current that controls his mind and makes him say and do as much original thinking as the puppets in a Punch and Judy show, and who are pulled by strings and wires from behind.

Thus the Catholicism that controls him is deep and dirty.

CERTAIN GROUP WOULD PROMOTE WAR

IT is a matter of record in the House of Representatives that for two years Roman Catholic congressmen, inspired at the outset by Archbishop Curley, have made efforts to have Congress break relations with Mexico. Congressman Boylan of New York first introduced a resolution proposing that the United States break relations with Mexico. Hearings were held and the Romanists were found to have no grounds which Congress felt sufficient for this move. In the present Congress, two more congressmen, from New York and Massachusetts, respectively, have introduced resolutions looking to similar ends. Three of the four senators whom the alleged official documents sought to discredit are of a progressive type not liked by the Roman officials, and the fourth one, Heflin, has openly denounced the Roman Catholic hierarchy on the floor of the Senate for trying to use the United States Government to overthrow the Calles administration. All four of them have been opposed to such a program as the exiled foreign priests have been urging in this country against our neighbor nation.

Mr. Hearst would seem a suitable tool, as he has some twenty-six or seven dailies which would give wide circulation to any campaign to causes suspicion against Mexico. These also enjoy a reputation for publishing scandal without great care as to its veracity.

He has money to be used for bribing government officials, and apparently had no compunctions in doing so. He paid out \$20,000 or more in bribe money to what he supposed were government employes. It would greatly increase the value of Hearst's holdings in Mexico if the present government there could be overthrown. Mr. Hearst owns a number of mines in that country and has ranches there inherited from his father, one of which covers a million acres; whereas most of the Mexican people slave their lives out and yet are unable to claim an acre as their own.

Here you have a background, some of which will not come out in the daily press nor the report of the Senate Committee. It has been noticeable in the hearings that as soon as the names of the exiled Bishop Diaz, who is here urging war with Mexico, and other Roman Catholic officials, were mentioned by witnesses in the early days of the hearings, the examining senators appeared to steer immediately away from that line of questioning. Public officials seem to have a regrettable hesitation when it comes to investigating anything which has to do with the Roman Church. They are told it has the sound of religious prejudice, and under that kind of a smoke screen, the political machinations of Rome go on. It is our profound belief, after a study of government documents, that there would be no American Marines in Nicaragua today if it were not for the work of the Roman Church there, directed from Baltimore. The same group would likewise put United States troops in Mexico.

The chief go-between for Mr. Hearst and the procurer of the alleged documents appears as one who played the role under the direction of some more capable mind. He appears to have been intimate with

Roman Catholic officials in the government service and with newspaper men in Mexico and also to have passports as a citizen of both Mexico and the United States. He is reported by newspaper men to have tried to sell alleged government documents for some time in Mexico City. From the same group, false papers appear to have been placed in the hands of our State Department officials in the program to have our government act against Nicaragua.

SENATOR CHARACTERIZES HEARST

Senator Norris, who was ill at the time of the hearings, had read in the Senate a characterization of Hearst and his dangerous group of newspapers. He implies that the aforesaid individual has the attributes of creeping things which send forth venom, and continues:

"You were willing and apparently anxious to do something that would cause our government to intervene in Mexico.

"In other words, for the sake of your financial investments, you were not only willing to ruin the reputation of honest and innocent men, but you were willing to plunge our country into war with a friendly neighbor, and thus increase the army of widows and orphans and of wounded and crippled soldiers. . . .

"The record which you have made in this matter is sufficient to place your publications in disrepute in the minds of all honest men, and it demonstrates that the Hearst system of newspapers, spreading like a venomous web to all parts of our country, constitutes the sewer system of American journalism."

PLAYING WITH FIRE

The Senate Committee could not do otherwise than make an investigation, for Hearst papers were black-

ening the characters of innocent public officials and bringing discredit to the United States Senate. The hearings have established the innocence of the citizens named in the documents and the fraudulent character of papers published as authentic. It has disclosed a clever scheme to deceive officials of great nations, even to the bringing of war. Whatever else the committee report will eventually bring out, the above is evident; and a background which has constantly shown through the hearings is one which the senators may not think it necessary to mention in their findings.

The State Department has had too much experience with alleged Latin-American documents and has been greatly embarrassed by being misled, so that it was not duped by the documents which Mr. Hearst offered to Secretary Kellogg. It is to be hoped that the great American public is sufficiently able to detect methods and objectives quite foreign to American Protestant ideals, so as not to be deceived by such methods as are now being used.—*Northwestern Christian Advocate*. Washington, D. C.

“INTOLERANCE”

THERE is not a set of people in the world who use the word “intolerance” against others, and who are so “intolerant” themselves as the Roman Catholics of America. In our “November” issue we advertised the fact that Divine Life was under a Catholic embargo, here in the City of Chicago. That Catholic embargo still remains against the magazine on all the main news stores in the loop district, and has lately been augmented by one Colonel Thornton, Manager of the Hotel LaSalle.

Recently some busy-body (a Catholic) wrote Colonel Thornton that if he continued handling *Divine Life*, he would not stop at the LaSalle Hotel any longer as a guest. When the *Divine Life* agent arrived with the February issue the manager of the hotel protested at leaving any more copies for sale, and stated that while he would not show the *Divine Life* representative the letter of protest, he would say that it came from an American Legionaire. Then, my dear sir, queried the *Divine Life*, if I should protest against a certain paper of a controversial nature that did not suit my fancy on your magazine stand, and threaten to quit your hotel, would you remove that certain paper? To which Col. Thornton added, I am myself a Protestant and a Legionaire, and any man who served on the fields of France, is a 100% American. This was too much for the *Divine Life* man.

I think you are wrong in that statement, Colonel. Do you know that the favorite weapon of the Chicago Catholics, who do not like to see *Divine Life* sold on the newsstands is one of "boycott"? Do you know that I, Harry R. Lang, am a 100% American, and that for the fear of a few dollars you are allowing a Catholic to tell you what you may and what you may not handle on your magazine counter? To which he replied: "I do not know that man, as he failed to sign his name, substituting "American Legionaire." At any rate, I do not propose to lose money and customers handling your magazine.

I wish to ask the American Legionaires of Chicago, who happen to be Protestants, if they too hold the same opinion as Col. Thornton of the LaSalle Hotel, namely, that all men who served in France, even those today who seek to "Make Americans Catholic," are

100% Americans ? ? ?

I do not fear the reply. But when it does come, Col. Thornton of the LaSalle Hotel will lose more customers catering to the Roman tribe of "Intolerance" than he will gain.

I have the utmost contempt for any man who places "dollars" above "principle," and if the Roman Catholics can succeed in bluffing American Protestants with Roman Gold, we had better haul down the American flag, close our public schools, invite the Pope to come and establish his Royal Household in America, and raise the yellow flag over our Capitol, for America has gone Catholic and Gold has defeated the last spark of Human Liberty.

—Harry E. Richeimer.

HEMPHILL'S LETTER IS QUOTED

"A few days ago an American sergeant, John Hemphill, fell in Nicaragua, riddled by the bullets of his compatriots, and when his father received the dread news he wrote to President Coolidge an open letter of the greatest value, human and political. He stated:

"For the death of my son I desire nothing bad to Sandino or his men, for I think they are fighting for their liberty as our forbears fought for theirs in 1776. We, as a nation, have no legal or moral right to kill that liberty, forcing on the nation a war of aggression.

"What we are doing is nothing more than assassination for the sole purpose of placing the Nicaraguan presidency in the hands of a puppet to act as collector for Wall Street, which certainly is contrary to the spirit and the letter of our constitution.

"My son was 29 years old. He served three years in the United States army and fought honorably in the war against the Germans, only to be killed in an unfortunate war against a small nation.

Banking, Currency, and the Money Trust

By CHARLES A. LINDBERGH, *Author of the Money Trust Investigation.*

The market prices of commodities vary from day to day and often several times a day. This occurs when there is no radical difference in the proportion of the supply and the natural demand. This fact is conclusive proof that our system is controlled by manipulators and fundamentally wrong. I have sought to elucidate this problem within this volume and have suggested a plan which, if adopted, would make the people the master of the world, instead of the present master—THE MONEY TRUST.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

The material production and consumption by the people, and industries of the world go on continually. In the aggregate there is no perceptible difference from day to day, or even from month to month. All things considered, the proportion of supply and demand does not vary greatly from year to year. The catastrophies which occur in the world are usually confined to different localities at different time, and do not, on the whole, change the general result. Nature seems to keep the balance fairly well, at least well enough so that man need not fear that Nature will fail to respond to the needs of men.

We meet a different condition when we study the personal and commercial relations of the people with each other. When we do that we find an intensive varying condition, which works rapidly backward and forward with no or at least comparatively little, relation to the material conditions. These human conditions seem to have exhausted the patience of men and they are reaching out to make three great changes:

(A) A change in the banking and currency conditions;

(B) a readjustment of our industrial relations;

(C) A change in the political conditions so that the people as a whole may direct their own political affairs.

Bankers, merchants, professional men, farmers, and wage earners all know that a change in our banking and currency laws is imperative. Such a change is sure to come, and Wall Street is endeavoring to foster ideas in the public mind which will insure the adoption of a plan favorable to frenzied finance. Civilization has reached the point where the people ought to consider the following facts: That we are slaves of a money system; that market quotations fluctuate up and down at times when there is no corresponding change in the supply and natural demand; and that the Wall Street financiers have suddenly found time to leave their speculative schemes long enough to direct the work of educating the people in the mysteries of finance. Are these financiers working in the interests of the people or in their own interests? They were content to deal only with the boss politicians until the people themselves began taking an interest in legislation, but now that the people have admonished the bosses, Wall Street is trying to mould

public opinion in order to make it favorable to some disguised Wall Street plan.

These questions are all answered in this little volume. Also, a plan is proposed which if adopted will make the people the master of the world and the builders of their common fortunes, instead of leaving that power in the clutches of its present master—the Money Trust.

We live in an age of mechanical devices and have the use of methods by which the natural elements are harnessed and made use of in general production, and in the establishment of conditions that serve to produce whatever is necessary, convenient and proper to the enjoyment of life, and it is natural that men shall look forward to the time when the people themselves will secure the full benefit of all these things. I have taken these problems up for consideration in three separate volumes. This volume on Banking and Currency and the Money Trust is the first. The second will be on "The Industrial Relations," and the third on "The Political Relations."

INTRODUCTION

It would seem that one could not state and analyze so difficult a problem as that of banking and currency within the scope of a small volume, but I believe that it can be done and can be easily understood if properly treated. No civil matter that has arisen out of our present social condition was ever of greater importance than that which is contemplated as a basis of our first study, which is really the money problem. But this first study is only one of several that we shall make while investigating the highways and byways of business, politics, and those affairs of life which

force men into the environments that are not of their own choosing. We shall study conditions that are quite ordinary, and show their relations to others that are extraordinary and not generally understood. I have examined and know about the subjects to which we shall give our thoughts, and if a majority will join with me in these considerations, I am certain that within a very short time we shall all understand much more clearly the present conditions, and learn to make the best use of the advantages that are common to all mankind. We shall also discover the reason for their being daily neglected. We shall not be able, in a short study, to cover the entire field, but it will present to us such things as are not commonly known to exist. Some of us have suspected that conditions exist about which we know very little or nothing, but the most of us have looked calmly on and decided eventually that there was something wrong. What is it? Our studies will tell.

The fact that I am a Congressman and seeking to force these matters before Congress for correction will cause me to be publicly censured for exposing the nature of the affairs of certain interests which have been prospering for a long time by appropriating the products of our toil. Numerous fires have been and will continue to be set under me by those who are selfishly interested in maintaining the present Money Trust, which not only includes many of the greatest bankers, but all others, in whatsoever business, who are beneficiaries of the system, as well as the political bosses subservient to the great interests. Of course they know that when the public once realizes how outrageously it has been, and is being, fleeced it will not permit it any longer, and they resort to desperate and

tricky methods in their attempt to force me out of public office, because they realize that in my present position I have an excellent opportunity to direct public attention to the truth relating to the practices of the banks and other special interests.

It is a well-known fact that in forcing through Congress the investigation of the Money Trust, I laid bare one of their innermost secrets, even though the investigating committee was composed of men selected by them after the interests were unable to prevent the passage of a resolution to investigate. But regardless of this fact, the environments surrounding the committee's work forced out facts which will aid in ultimately exposing the whole piratical system. This seems to them to be the great offense that I have committed, and therefore they do all that they can to weaken me before the public. Already, by means of their agents, they have begun to spread stories. These stories they wish the people unwittingly peddle from one to another. Underhandedly they start one or more falsehoods in each locality and hope that by the time these are peddled among my constituents enough of them will be believed to be true so that each voter shall find something to which he objects. In that way they hope that at least a majority of the voters can be secured who will vote against me. That is a scheme that is in operation, and for the same reason a certain portion of the press was subsidized to oppose me. Newspapers print scurrilous articles and others in the same employ copy them. Some articles are inserted which contain a few complimentary words about me for having done some unimportant thing, but these are diplomatically inserted in order to impress the reader with the idea that the editor is impartial. This impres-

sion is what they rely upon to give the color of truth to the opprobrious and derogatory matter.

My fight against graft in politics and special privileges in business has not resulted in my landing in a bed of roses. The public has seen that, and I knew from the start that I would have to fight every inch of the way as well as pay my own expenses, while those who opposed me, and consequently my plans, would have their campaign and other expenses paid, including other advantages which would be extended to them. I observe, for instance, that the stand-pat Senators and Representatives, all of whom are more or less under the domination of the special privileges, and stand-patters generally, have received recognitions and courtesies from the Administrations that have been absolutely refused to me. All sorts of dishonest and unfair means have been resorted to in order to injure me, while, on the other hand, every kind of deception has been used in the attempt to make the public believe that the Senators and Representatives who have supported the special interests were all right. This fight has not been easy nor has it been personally profitable to me from a financial standpoint. My purpose in calling attention to these facts is, that almost everyone who undertakes to establish reforms, that involve substantial property rights or personal privileges, receives the knocks and the least material reward. Further, the attacks made upon them by the special interests often mislead the public. That, of course, is the real purpose of the attacks, and every person must endure them who assails with vigor the system under which the special interests are able to levy tolls upon us for their maintenance.

Lest there might be some misunderstanding, I wish

the real attitude of the bankers on this subject of the Money Trust to be known. Many of them, and more especially those from the country districts, are not opposed to reform. They know that they have special privileges that they ought not to have. In fact, the greatest number of them are opposed to the Money Trust. I have received letters from hundreds of them, but in nearly every instance they request that I keep secret the fact that they oppose the Money Trust. They dare not endanger themselves, and they do well not to as long as the present system is continued, for no bank would be safe if the Money Trust sought to close its doors.

I do not intend to arouse any distrust of your banker. He is a citizen the same as the rest of us. I am not assailing him, but I am assailing with all the vigor of my life the system of banking and currency that so taxes our existence, and I am seeking to prevent the Money Trust from fooling us into adopting changes that will allow it to retain its power. And I further seek to bring about a change that will enable us to retain the products of our own energy and give therefrom such moiety to those who render service as they may be entitled to by reason of their services.

We do not expect perfection either in ourselves or in others, but we should at least fulfill the plain necessities of life to the extent of not being ridiculous in our failures. For that reason there should be no delay in pressing the fight for our common rights and enforcing them through the intelligence of our conduct. We should not waive our individual rights in support of others' vanity, nor give them undeserved wealth or authority.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 17, 1928.

Dr. Mr. Lang—I have been greatly interested in what has come to me as the result of following up the trail which I struck when I read the November issue of your magazine.

I received the pamphlet on “Americanism” and read it with keen interest. It is not the first or only contribution to this momentous issue that has come to my notice, by any means, but I can truly assure you that it is one of the best. I also wish to commend your new (at least to me) crusade directed toward the predatory financial trust which seems to be steadily but surely fastening its fangs upon the heart blood of our Republic. In these two great issues I assure you I am with you heart and soul. Go into it, unselfishly and courageously, and pray for strength to see you through. America cannot go down in the dregs of Materialism. She must be rededicated to a new birth of spiritual ideas.

What can you suggest that will get me started on a thorough study of the foreign influence which you have found in seeking control of the American Theosophical Society, as outlined in your November issue? This is of great personal interest to me, the reason for which I will disclose perhaps at some future time.

In closing I want to thank you for the December *Divine Life*, which you were good enough to send me, and the patriotic pamphlet also. (I wish I felt able financially to distribute several hundreds of these pamphlets!) Wishing you Godspeed in the bold and revolutionary work you have mapped out for yourselves and for our people, I am

At your service.

—Hubert Higley Smith.

Honcut, California, Jan. 19, 1928.

Mr. Harry R. Lang, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir—I like the Divine Life because you are a man that has got the courage of your convictions, which every 100 per cent American “ought to have.” Henry Ward Beecher, regarded by a good many people as the greatest preacher who ever lived, while he was pastor of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, N. Y., lectured in San Francisco on “Evolution,” and at Portland, Oregon, where he lectured, quoting his exact words, he said: “I know my Redeemer liveth and that I shall sit on the right hand of the ‘Coming Man.’” At about that time James Parton, the great writer, called the Prince of Biographers, lectured before the New York Athenium Club on the “Coming Man” of the New Religion, Sunday and Christmas, all the year around. That is what he likened it unto. I am quoting his exact words. He said, in part: “Madonna was invented by the ‘priests’; that it was not certain who invented hell, and that women would have to come to it. Probably the priests invented hell also. Some of them would be a disgrace to any hell that ever was invented. If we can only stop immigration that is coming into the country I think we have got them, as we outnumber them eight to one. Do you for one minute think they would show any tolerance if they outnumbered us eight to one? We would either have to be a Catholic or be deported. I believe in deporting them.”

—*Le Roy Pickering.*

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 24, 1928.

Le Roy Pickering,
Honcut, Butte Co., California.
Dear Sir:

I received your three letters dated Dec. 12th, Jan. 2nd and 19th for which I thank you. There is much common sense in what you say and I wish I could say it half as well. When you liken the South of Ireland Irish to the Cannibals I am heartily in agreement with you. While I admire much that is said in "The Forum," against the Roman Catholic Hierarchy, I do think that sometimes they are not altogether sincere, sort of carrying water on both shoulders. I think they are fighting more to preserve Christian Standards, by that I mean, organized Christianity, as it stands today, a rebel against Evolution, and a retardent to Soul Freedom of the individual. Do not misunderstand me, Mr. Pickering. Christianity in its purity is Divine, yet Christianity today under the false garb of Churchianity is a commercial juggernaut that crushes all before its path; to wit: Nicaragua and our Standard Oil interests in China? ? ?

I do not believe that White Supremacy has anything to do with the cause of 100% Americanism. This is another Anglo-Saxon move to split our Republic and ruin it. The Forum's policy is double. I assert again they flay Catholicism outright, and again protect a man and advocate his re-election, who is today the greatest benefactor that Catholicism ever had, namely, one Calvin Coolidge!

George Washington said: "THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IS NOT IN ANY SENSE FOUNDED UPON THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION."—George Washington. Treaty with Tripoli, 1796.

And George was right.

With best wishes, I remain

Yours for Truth and Americanism,

HARRY R. LANG.

(*THE NEW ORDER OF AGES*)

THE INDEPENDENT THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA,

NOW that the many thousands who have dropped out of The Theosophical Movement of 1875, as founded by Madam Blavatsky and Col. Olcott, and which has been carried forward by Annie Besant, are awakened to the real situation and see that there is no Salvation or Liberty to be acquired under the blighting influence of these two Catholic Leaders, (Blavatsky and Besant,) who preach Salvation and Liberation in future ages and not **here and now**, and who have wantonly led the sheep back into the Catholic fold, and have betrayed the trust imposed in them of carrying forward a Theosophical Movement based on inward spiritual truths, which free the seeker from the outward habiliments of forms, ceremonies, symbols and occult influences, which retard and defeat the Doctrine of the Heart, which finds its apotheosis in natural spiritual development, giving supreme authority to the individual himself, in contradistinction to the doctrines of the Roman Church which place a Priest and a Hierarchical Ladder of Supreme Heads between Man and his inmost Spirit, thereby robbing him of self-reliance and self-dependence, and making him the play of outward Masters and forces, against the injunction of Jesus of Nazareth, "Call no man your Master, for one is you Master, even the Spirit within you, our own Higher Self, the time has arrived to launch

The Great Independent Theosophical Movement

INDEPENDENT of Madame Blavatsky, Annie Besant, and all the hosts of unseen dark entities which have served them in changing Theosophy into Catholicism,

The call has gone forth to organize and establish lodges and societies in every town city and state in these United States, and through the intermediate of literature and lectures, bring about the co-ordination of the Protestant elements in America, and establish a nucleus for the influx of the Spirit from on High to again visit us, and bring the Spirit of the—AMERICAN REPUBLIC—forward as the saving and redeeming grace of a Humanity who look to AMERICA and its Spiritual ones for the Salvation of the Race and the Redemption of the World !

—JOIN NOW—

Applications for membership will be mailed on request and Certificates of Membership granted to all those who are not already affiliated with any other organization.

Those desiring to form Independent Theosophical Lodges and become charter members, will kindly make application to the President, Harry R. Lang.

All branches so chartered are autonomous.

Dues for one year's membership in the Society are \$2.00 which includes one year's subscription to Divine Life, the Official Organ.